

This international research team came together at the FICE congress in Berne in 2013, with the goal of developing a project to examine legislation, policies and programs for young people transitioning out of substitute care around the world. This followed a Dialogue session where attendees became aware of the huge discrepancies in care leaving practices amongst FICE member countries.

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